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Sir:

Filed concurrently with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal, and supplementing, as the Submission for the RCE, the Amendment After Final Rejection filed December 2, 2002, please further amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims to the application:

--21. An extruded frame member according to claim 15, wherein said thickened part has a width that is substantially equal to a width of said extruded part.

An extruded frame member according to claim 14, wherein said

thickened part has a width that is substantially equal to a width of said extruded part.

An extruded frame member according to claim 14, wherein a side